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Credentials of representatives

Report of the Credentials Committee

Chairman: Mr. Thorsten **Eisingerich**

1. At its first plenary meeting, on 21 September 2005, the Conference, in accordance with rule 4 of the rules of procedure, established a Credentials Committee and appointed as members of the Committee the representatives of the following five States: Austria, Croatia, New Zealand, Nigeria and Ukraine.

2. The Credentials Committee held its meeting on 22 September 2005.

3. The Committee had before it a memorandum by the Secretariat of the Conference, dated 22 September 2005, concerning the credentials of representatives of States to the Conference.

4. Formal credentials in the form required by rule 3 of the rules of procedure of the Conference had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been received by the Secretariat, in respect of their representatives to the Conference, from the following 36 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the Treaty: Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Greece, the Holy See, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Panama, the Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine and Uruguay.

5. Provisional credentials in the form of photocopies or facsimiles issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been received by the Secretariat from the following 20 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the Treaty: Algeria, Burkina Faso, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kiribati, Luxembourg, Nigeria, Norway, Paraguay, Poland,

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Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Serbia and Montenegro, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Tunisia, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uzbekistan.

6. Information concerning the appointment of their representatives to the Conference had, as of the time of the meeting of the Credentials Committee, been communicated to the Secretariat by means of a letter or note verbale or a facsimile thereof from a Permanent Mission or government office by the following 19 States that, prior to the opening of the Conference, had deposited their instruments of ratification of the Treaty: Albania, Argentina, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Brazil, Costa Rica, Ecuador, France, Germany, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Monaco, Oman, Peru, the Philippines, Qatar, Spain, Turkey and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

7. The Chairman recommended that the Committee accept the credentials of the representatives of all of States mentioned in paragraphs 4 to 6 above, on the understanding that formal credentials for representatives of States referred to in paragraphs 5 and 6 would be communicated to the Secretariat as soon as possible.

8. On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee adopted the following draft resolution:

> "*The Credentials Committee*,
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> "*Having examined* the credentials of the representatives to the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty of the States referred to in paragraphs 4 to 6 of its report,
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> "*Accepts* the credentials of the representatives of the States concerned."

9. The draft resolution proposed by the Chairman was adopted without a vote.

10. The Chairman then proposed that the Committee recommend to the plenary of the Conference the adoption of a draft resolution (see paragraph 12). The proposal was adopted without a vote.

11. In the light of the foregoing, the present report is submitted to the Conference.

Recommendation of the Credentials Committee

12. The Credentials Committee recommends to the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty the adoption of the following draft resolution:

> **"Credentials of representatives to the Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, held in New York from 21 to 23 September 2005**
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> "*The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty*,
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> "*Having considered* the report of the Credentials Committee and the recommendation contained therein,
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> "*Adopts* the report of the Credentials Committee."